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their own homes, in a big city or a small city, anywhere in Nebraska. I don't know for sure why 404 existed and I should have been probably at the hearing to talk about this then and you probably won't support this. Eric and I talked about maybe just presenting this, talking about it and withdrawing it, but I would like the record to show. So I would hope, Eric, we would follow through and insist on a vote on this as well at the present time. Because what we have to consider in this state is how we treat each other and I think everybody in this body should understand that and allow those people who supported this concept the same opportunity that we offered ag land values. And please remember that what you did with 404 was not part of what we voted for. It was an extraordinary action of the body. I'm not quite sure if I agreed with the concept at all, but this will give us a chance to indicate how fair this body wants to be to everybody in Nebraska and all the homeowners in Nebraska who agreed that this may have been a good concept and it should be explored. But if you're going to give somebody a break, give the homeowner a break as well and then when values are established, maybe the shift won't be nearly as severe to homeowners as it may turn out to be beginning January 1, 1991. Certainly, I hope you all understand this does not reflect upon the integrity of the issue, it doesn't reflect upon the integrity of anybody who may profit from it who own farms in this body, but I think it does reflect on our sense of fair play if we don't give homeowners the same break as farmers for their land values for 1991.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Lynch. I'll now recognize Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Madam President, members of the body, I would like to have a ruling from the Chair on the germaneness of this amendment. The bill and the constitutional amendment pertain to ag land. This pertains to homeowners and residences and I don't think it is germane, so would you please rule on that.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Will, I'd like you to comment.

SENATOR WILL: Madam President, I think this is clearly germane because the bill deals with property valuation. It's the section of statutes that deals with the way that we value property. We're talking about one type of property, this addresses another type of property. They are all under property valuation. They're both real property. I don't think there is